

# San Antonio International Airport



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## *TSA opens 5th security check point lane at SAT just in time for busy Fourth of July Weekend*

Starting Friday, the Transportation State Administration (TSA) will open a 5th security checkpoint lane in Terminal 1 at San Antonio International Airport. With the increase in passenger volume, the opening of a 5th lane comes just in time for travelers departing from San Antonio for the Fourth of July Weekend.

San Antonio International and TSA still recommend that travelers allow 2 hours for the parking and check-in process. “We really pushed to get the lane open just in time for the big holiday, said Lynda Johnson, representative for TSA. “The lane opening is going to enhance the traveler’s experience and reduce the wait times especially during heavy travel times.”

Please keep the following tips in mind as you head out for your Fourth of July Weekend:

- No vehicle parking or waiting at terminal curb side locations; only immediate drop off and pick up will be permitted
- All vehicles near airport terminals will be monitored more closely
- Only ticketed passengers will be allowed past the security checkpoints
- Still expect some delays for luggage inspection when going through the security checkpoints (Every bag will be subject to search)
- No knives, scissors, sharp instruments or any kind of object that could be considered a weapon will be allowed through the security checkpoints
- Only one carry on bag plus a personal item such as a purse, computer or briefcase is allowed.
- Photo I.D. is required

The Transportation Security Administration has also issued the following recommendations for holiday travel:

- Pack Smart: Everyday items such as pointed scissors and Swiss army knives are not allowed on you or in your carry-on luggage. A full list of prohibited items can be found at the T.S.A. web site [www.tsa.gov](http://www.tsa.gov)
- To Lock or Not to Lock: Screeners may have to open your bag during the screening process. If your bag is locked and TSA cannot open it through other means, the locks may have to be broken. TSA is not liable for damage caused to locked bags that must be opened for security purposes.
- Keep your boarding pass and ID readily available
- Take laptops OUT of the carrying case
- Dress the part: Metal in your clothing or your shoes may set off the walk-through metal detector. Avoid wearing metal in or on your clothing. Pack coins, keys, jewelry, belt buckles and other metal items in your carry-on bag. TSA strongly encourages passengers to remove their shoes before going through the metal detectors.
- Carry-ons: In addition to one carry-on and one personal item, you may have a musical instrument or a photographic bag if it contains only photographic equipment. Check your air carrier’s policies to assure they will accommodate these extra items once you arrive at the gate. Film should go in your carry-on bag. Film faster than 800-speed can be handed to a screener for physical inspection to avoid being X-rayed.

Who: San Antonio International Airport and the Transportation Security Administration

What: Opening of fifth lane at security checkpoint in Terminal One

When: Media invited to view starting Friday June 30

San Antonio International Airport would like to wish everyone an enjoyable and safe Fourth of July!